

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Houston****Project Title:**

# Houston - Purchase Of New Public Safety Animal Control Vehicle

**State Funding Requested: \$ 35,415****House District: 15 - H**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

Purchase of new public safety animal control vehicle to provide reliable and expanded service.

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$35,415**Funding Secured*Amount FY*Other Pending Requests*Amount FY*Anticipated Future Need*Amount FY*

There is no other funding needed

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The current public safety animal control vehicle is nearing the end of its useful service life and is in need of replacement due to both its deteriorating condition and the increased demand for animal control services. Current problems include an inefficient animal control box and dangerous periods of no service when the current vehicle is undergoing repairs. The purchase of a new vehicle with a dedicated animal control box will allow the vehicle to respond to more than one problem at a time and with less down time for repairs.

**Project Timeline:**

As soon as FY 09 funds are available.

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

The City of Houston.

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

Contact Name: Dennis Lords  
Phone Number: 907-892-6869  
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Houston, Alaska 99694

Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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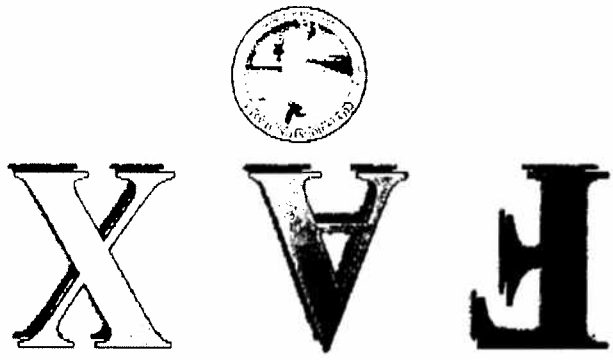
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**COMMENTS:**

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*Including Cover Sheet*

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**CITY OF HOUSTON**  
Office of  
Sandy McDonald, Acting Mayor  
P.O. Box 940027  
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February 15, 2008

Senator Charlie Huggins  
State Capitol, Room 119  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Huggins:

Please accept the attached documents as addendums to our CIP list. We appreciate your perusal of the attached and we hope it clarifies our need.

The cost breakdown for our CIP is:

CIP #2 – Two Animal Control vehicles (F-150) @ \$24,115 each	\$ 48,230.00
CIP #2 – Two Animal Control boxes @ \$11,300 each	22,600.00
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$70,830.00</b>

CIP #3 Outfit 23 Firefighters @ \$1,527 each	
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT TOTAL</b>	<b>\$35,121.00</b>

Sincerely,

*Sandy McDonald*  
Sandy McDonald  
Acting Mayor

Attachments



**CITY OF HOUSTON**  
*Office of*  
**CHIEF OF ANIMAL SAFETY & PROTECTION**  
**DENNIS LORDS**

**Information for Senator Huggins.**

**Need new Vehicle**

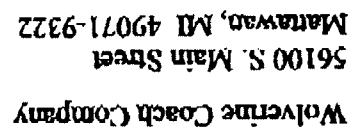
**1). Current vehicle has 160,000 miles on it.**

**2). It has only a camper shell which limits our ability to transport more than one animal at a time. With a animal control box we would be able to transport up to four animals if necessary which would save us from making more the one trip for the same incident. It should be noted that we serve two communities, Houston and Wasilla.**

**3). With a new vehicle this will help to insure animal and officer safety.**

**4). If this vehicle breaks down we are in effect unable to do any animal control business as we cannot use our personnel vehicles.**

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## Estimate

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**SIGNATURE**

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AM/FM STEREO W/CLOCK  
BLACK VINYL FLOOR COVERING  
DAY-NIGHT REAR VIEW MIRROR  
DOME LAMP  
TILT STEERING WHEEL

F-150

## FUNCTIONAL

2-SPD TRANSFER CASE  
4 PIN TRAILER WIRING  
26 GALLON FUEL TANK  
ALTERNATOR 110 AMP  
AUXILIARY POWER POINT  
CARGO BOX TIE DOWN HOOKS  
FAIL-SAFE COOLING SYSTEM  
FULLY BOXED FRAME  
MAINT FREE BATTERY W/SAVER  
MANUAL WINDOWS&DOOR LOCKS  
MECHANICAL SHIFT-ON-THE-FLY  
OUTBOARD MNTD REAR SHOCKS  
POWER RACK PINION STEERING  
STABILIZER BAR, FRONT

## SAFETY/SECURITY

4-WHEEL DISC BRAKES W/ABS  
AIR BAGS, DRIV/FRONT PASS  
REAR HIGH MOUNT STOP LAMP  
SECURILOCK

## WARRANTY

3YR/36,000 BUMPER / BUMPER  
5YR/60,000 POWERTRAIN  
5YR/60,000 ROADSIDE ASSIST

### Price Information

### STANDARD VEHICLE PRICE

MSRP  
\$23,190

### Optional Equipment

2008 MODEL YEAR  
SILVER CLEARCOAT METALLIC  
FLINT VINYL 40/20/40  
PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PKG.502A  
XI SERIES  
FLOOR CARPET DELETE  
MANUAL BLACK MIRRORS



City of Houston, Alaska  
Office of the Fire Chief  
Thomas L Hood

February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008

To Senator Huggins  
RE: Grant Justifications  
FY2008

Dear Senator,

The Houston Fire Department has many needs in the area of equipment to be able to meet NFPA (National Fire Protection Agency) standards. One standard that we are lacking in is NFPA Standards 1971 which covers structural firefighting gear.

Since Houston Fire Department has not purchased new gear in some time, most of our PPE (personal protection equipment) needs to be replaced with new NFPA Standards, covering the "DRD" (drag rescue device). In chapter 6 – 6.1.9.1 thru 6.1.9.1.5 (See attachment) the design requirements states: that the "DRD" needs to be in place to meet NFPA standards. To date, none of our structural firefighting gear (PPE) including helmets, boots, gloves and nomex hoods, meets NFPA standards. (See attachments for prices.) This puts our firefighter's lives in jeopardy. We currently have 23 firefighters at Houston Fire Department, Station 91. Please consider our request for grant monies for the FY2008 budget.

Sincerely Yours,

Thomas L. Hood

Chief

Houston FD

Attachments

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